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25X1A 1. Mr. Houston and Mr. Warner met with Representative Charles E. Bennett (D., Fla.). As a matter of interest we left with him testimony of [] before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee. There was also furnished to him a brochure as an example of Agency activity concerning the International Commission of Free Jurists. In the conversation it was mentioned that the Agency was desirous of meeting with the Kilday Subcommittee at the convenience of the Chairman to brief them in depth on certain [] operations and other major support facilities connected with these operations. It was suggested that possibly this could be combined with the inspection trip to [] Mr. Bennett indicated he was most anxious for these activities to occur and he would discuss the matter with Mr. Kilday.

25X1A2G Also discussed with Mr. Bennett the Freedom Commission bills, H. R. 3889 and Bennett's bill H. R. 4988. Bennett indicated that he was not at all active in this connection and he had talked to someone about it, he believes Alan Grant, at the request of Mr. Herlong. Apparently Mr. Bennett introduced his bill solely to lend additional support to Herlong. Bennett thinks it is basically a good idea but that he really does not know enough about it and certainly is not going to take any action in regard to it. He indicated that it was his guess the bill would not move very far and he knew of no plans for hearings. He further indicated that he believed there was some problem on these bills with Congressman Francis Walter.

2. Advised Bertha Bond of the hearings in Post Office and Civil Service Committee on S. 1638, the Career Service Act. Personnel will arrange to have a representative of that office sit in on these hearings to keep us posted on developments.

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